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building, and that Mr. PIERSON, Vice-President, be given full power as to the disposition of the space in question.

Resolved, That the resolution of May 31, 1890, fixing the bond of the Treasurer at \$5000 be rescinded, and

Resolved, That the amount of the said bond to be given for the present year be fixed at \$500.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF
THE PACIFIC, HELD AT THE LICK OBSERVATORY,
JULY 12, 1890.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Secretary read a list of presents received since the last meeting, and the thanks of the Society were voted to the givers.

The list of new members elected was read by the Secretary.

A silver-print of a crayon drawing made from negatives of the Solar Eclipse of January 1, 1889, by Rev. C. M. CHARROPPIN, was exhibited to the meeting. Mr. HOLDEN also exhibited the first enlargements of the planet *Jupiter*, made by the great telescope on July 8, 1890. The planet is photographed direct, so that the major axis is nine-tenths of an inch, and the results are very promising. It seems likely that the history of the larger changes on the planet's surface can be satisfactorily followed by means of such pictures, leaving the study of the minuter features to visual observation.

The following papers were presented :

- a.* Dr. W. MEYER : "The Urania Gesellschaft of Berlin."
- b.* Prof. E. S. HOLDEN : "Astronomical Photography at the Lick Observatory."
- c.* J. E. KEELER : "The Chromatic Aberration of the Thirty-six-inch Equatorial."
- d.* Rev. GEO. M. SEARLE : "Are the Planets Habitable?"
- e.* Prof. I. STRINGHAM : "On Hyperbo-Elliptic Functions."
- f.* Miss AGNES M. CLERKE : "On the Multiple System of *Zeta Cancri*."

Only papers *a* and *c* were read. All are printed in the present number of the *Publications*.

Adjourned.